Attorney Docket No.: Q91902

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Application No.: 10/559,810

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A fluorine-containing polymer for masonry treatment, comprising:

(A) repeating units derived from a fluorine-containing monomer of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O & X \\
II & I \\
C & C \\
C &$$

wherein X is a fluorine atom, or a chlorine atom, a bromine atom, an iodine atom, a CFX<sup>1</sup>X<sup>2</sup>-group (in which X<sup>1</sup> and X<sup>2</sup> are each a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom, a chlorine atom, a bromine atom or an iodine atom), a cyano group, a linear or branched fluoroalkyl group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted benzyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group;

Y is an aliphatic group having 1 to 10 carbon atoms, an aromatic or cycloaliphatic group having 6 to 10 carbon atoms, a  $-CH_2CH_2N(R^1)SO_2$ - group (in which  $R^1$  is an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms) or a  $-CH_2CH(OY^1)CH_2$ - group (in which  $Y^1$  is a hydrogen atom or an acetyl group); and

Rf is a linear or branched fluoroalkyl or fluoroalkenyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a fluoroether group having totally 1 to 200 repeating units selected from the group consisting of the repeating units:  $-C_3F_6O_7$ ,  $-C_2F_4O_7$  and  $-CF_2O_7$ , and

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 Attorney Docket No.: Q91902

Application No.: 10/559,810

(B) repeating units derived from a monomer having a functional group reactive with active hydrogen, wherein the functional group is a silane group, and

(C) repeating units derived from a fluorine-free alkyl group-containing monomer which is alkyl (meth)acrylate.

- 2. (canceled).
- 3. (original): The fluorine-containing polymer according to claim 1, wherein the monomer having a functional group reactive with active hydrogen (B) is a silane compound having a carbon-carbon double bond.
  - 4. (canceled).
  - 5. (canceled).
- 6. (withdrawn): A composition for treating a masonry, which comprises the fluorine-containing polymer according to claim 1, and an organic solvent.
- 7. (withdrawn): A method of producing a treated masonry, which comprises applying the composition according to claim 6 to a surface of a masonry, and then eliminating the organic solvent.
  - 8. (withdrawn): A masonry produced by the method according to claim 7.
- 9. (new): The fluorine-containing polymer according to claim 1, wherein, in the monomer (A), the Rf group is the linear or branched fluoroalkyl or fluoroalkenyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 10 (new): The fluorine-containing polymer according to claim 1, wherein the monomer (C) is alkyl (meth)acrylate wherein the number of carbon atoms in the alkyl group is 1 to 18.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 Attorney Docket No.: Q91902

Application No.: 10/559,810

11 (new): The fluorine-containing polymer according to claim 1, wherein the amount of the monomer having a functional group reactive with hydrogen atom (B) is from 0.01 parts to 50 parts by weight, and the amount of the fluorine-free alkyl group-containing monomer (C) is from 1 to 100 parts by weight, based on 100 parts by weight of the fluorine-containing monomer (A).

12. (new): A fluorine-containing polymer for masonry treatment, consisting of:(A) repeating units derived from a fluorine-containing monomer of the formula:

$$Rf - Y - O - C - C - C = CH_2$$
 (I)

wherein X is a fluorine atom, or a chlorine atom;

Y is an aliphatic group having 1 to 10 carbon atoms, an aromatic or cycloaliphatic group having 6 to 10 carbon atoms, a  $-CH_2CH_2N(R^1)SO_2$ - group (in which  $R^1$  is an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms) or a  $-CH_2CH(OY^1)CH_2$ - group (in which  $Y^1$  is a hydrogen atom or an acetyl group); and

Rf is a linear or branched fluoroalkyl or fluoroalkenyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a fluoroether group having totally 1 to 200 repeating units selected from the group consisting of the repeating units:  $-C_3F_6O_7$ ,  $-C_2F_4O_7$  and  $-CF_2O_7$ , and

- (B) repeating units derived from a monomer having a functional group reactive with active hydrogen, wherein the functional group is a silane group, and
- (C) repeating units derived from a fluorine-free alkyl group-containing monomer which is alkyl (meth)acrylate.